

Mono Lake Tufa, 10/20/15

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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News - Significant Events

In Hurricane Patricia's Wake, Torrential Rains Move Into Louisiana

(Reuters) Torrential rainstorms battered Louisiana on Sunday, leaving thousands without power, after pounding southeastern Texas as the remnants of Hurricane Patricia converged with a second storm. The heaviest band of rain moved over the Gulf of Mexico, triggering coastal flood warnings and flash flood watches in southwest Louisiana and soaking New Orleans, according to the National Weather Service (NWS). About 22,000 people were left without power in the greater New Orleans area. Some streets were flooded, while a high tide surge brought some coastal flooding as well. Rainfall has totaled as much as 7 inches (18 cm) since late Saturday night, and forecasters predicted another 5 inches (13 cm) could fall. The NWS said waterspouts over lakes and tornados over land were both possible into the early morning hours. The NWS issued a tornado watch for southeastern Louisiana and coastal Mississippi into early Monday, and warned that severe thunderstorms could develop in the region.

International News - Significant Events

Canadian Officials: Whale Vessel Sinks; 5 Dead, 21 Rescued

(AP) Five people died after a whale watching boat with 27 people on board sank off Vancouver Island on Sunday and one person remained missing, Canadian authorities said. The vessel made a mayday call late Sunday afternoon on what was a calm, clear and sunny day off the tourist community of Tofino, a popular destination for whale watchers on Canada's West Coast, the Joint Rescue Coordination Centre said. Lt.- Cmdr. Desmond James, a spokesman for the rescue agency staffed by Canadian military and Coast Guard personnel, said late Sunday that the agency's search concluded with five people dead, 21 rescued and one person missing. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police will take over the search for the person who remains missing. Many of the survivors were taken to Tofino General Hospital and some were already discharged Sunday night, said Valerie Wilson, a spokeswoman for the Vancouver Island Health Authority. Canada's Transportation Safety Board said it was investigating the boat's sinking.

At Least 53 Dead After Strong Quake Hits Afghanistan, Pakistan

(Reuters) A powerful earthquake struck a remote area of northeastern Afghanistan on Monday, shaking the capital Kabul and killing at least 17 people while 36 were killed in neighboring Pakistan, officials said. The death toll could climb because communications were down in much of the rugged Hindu Kush mountain range area where the quake was centered. Reports of deaths poured in from different areas of both countries. In one of the worst single incidents, a panicked evacuation at girls' school killed at least 12 students in the Afghan province of Takhar. Shockwaves were felt in northern India and in Pakistan, where hundreds of people ran out of buildings as the ground rolled beneath them. The quake was 213 km (132 miles) deep and centered 254 km (158 miles) northeast of Kabul in Afghanistan's Badakhshan province. The U.S. Geological Survey initially measured the quake's intensity at 7.7 then revised it down to 7.5. In Afghanistan, a total of 17 were reported dead including the 12 schoolgirls and five people killed in the eastern province of Nangarhar, officials said. In Pakistan, 36 deaths were reported by late afternoon, mostly in northern and northwestern regions bordering Afghanistan, officials told Reuters. A 7.6 magnitude earthquake struck northern Pakistan just over a decade ago, on Oct. 8, 2005, killing about 75,000 people.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

• Freeze Watch in effect from this evening through Tuesday morning for areas in Siskiyou County

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Drier and slightly warmer conditions are expected today as high pressure briefly builds back over the area. Another storm system will approach the area on Tuesday and Wednesday bringing increasing rain chances.

Medford Weather:

A short wave rotating through the upper level trough will move through northern Oregon later tonight, and then a sharp long wave will build in from the west. Post-frontal showers will end later this morning and the remainder of today and Tuesday will be dry. Inland high temperatures will rebound back up to 5 to 10 degrees above normal today and the Tuesday highs will be similar. The surface warm front will arrive Tuesday night followed by a cold front early Wednesday morning. This system will be significantly wetter than the Sunday system. High temperatures Wednesday will cool to around normal values across the forecast area. Post-frontal showers will continue through Wednesday night.

Reno Weather:

Warm and dry conditions today will give way to increasing clouds for tomorrow as low pressure nears the California coast. Showers are forecast for Wednesday and Thursday as the low passes through the region. Dry and warm conditions should return for the weekend.

San Francisco Weather:

Mostly sunny and seasonably warm conditions forecast today with high pressure over the region. No big changes for Tuesday except some late day increase in clouds which may cool temperatures a few degrees. There will be a chance of light rain by around sunrise Wednesday from the Bay Area northward. That system will quickly move east with dry conditions returning Wednesday night into Thursday morning. High pressure rebuilds Thursday through Halloween with dry conditions and periods of breezy north winds in the hills.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

High pressure builds over the area through Tuesday with dry and mild weather. A weather system may bring some light rain to the region Tuesday night into Thursday.

Hanford Weather:

Dry weather and above normal afternoon temperatures can be expected over the district through Tuesday while a ridge of high pressure builds over the state. A storm system over the eastern Pacific will bring cooler temperatures and a chance of showers by midweek.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

High pressure aloft will keep the weather rather warm across the region through Tuesday. Low pressure aloft will bring a slight chance of showers and cooler weather Wednesday into Thursday. Upper level ridging will bring warmer weather Friday through Sunday with gusty Santa Ana winds possible at times in some areas.

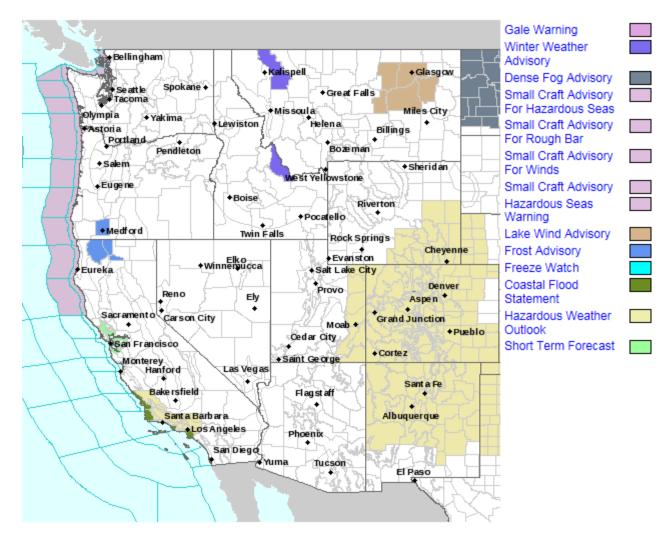
Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties: Slightly warmer conditions today under weak high pressure with patchy early morning low clouds and fog near the coast. For Tuesday through Thursday, a trough of low pressure will move southward along the West Coast into the southwest states bringing a cooling trend and deeper marine layer with gusty west winds in the mountains and deserts. A period of moderate offshore flow is expected for Friday into early Saturday as that low pressure system moves eastward bringing gusty north to northeast winds below the Cajon Pass and near the Santa Ana Mountains and Foothills. There will be a warming trend beginning Friday and continuing into Sunday for the far inland areas. For early next week, a trough of low pressure moving southward near the West Coast will bring cooling and a chance of precipitation.

Southeast California Weather:

Dry weather with above normal temperatures will continue across the region through Wednesday. This will be followed by breezy and much cooler weather Thursday and Friday as a cold front moves through the region. There is a chance of showers late Thursday and Friday. Clearing skies are forecast Saturday with a return to near normal weather Sunday and Monday.



STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Oct, 26th 2015 at 7:49:21 am MDT

FIRE ACTIVITY

<u>Preparedness Levels</u> National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php

NWS California River Forecast Center:

http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident - 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC every other Monday at 1100 hours.



CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 62 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 28 Counties: Butte, Colusa, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).





Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.